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Sir :

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98,
Applicant hereby calls the following documents to the Examiner's attention:

Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. H02-256015, which was published on
October 16, 1990, together with its patent family member U.S. Patent No. 4,978,204 to ITO,
which issued on December 18, 1990, this Japanese publication being discussed on page 1 of the
specification;

Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. H06-265788, which was published on
September 22, 1994, together with its patent family member U.S. Patent No. 6,002,529 to
KOHNO et al., which issued on December 14, 1999, this publication being discussed on page 2
of the specification;

Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 2000-180725, which was published on June
30, 2000, together with an English language translation of the same, and is discussed on page 2
of the specification;

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Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 2002-350728, which was published on December 4, 2002, together with its patent family member U.S. Patent No. 6,657,792 to EGUCHI et al., which issued on December 2, 2003; and

U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2003-0231405 to ENOMOTO, which was published on December 18, 2003.

Further to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's decision to waive the requirement under 37 C.F.R. §1.98 (a)(2)(i), copies of the U.S. patents and U.S. patent application publication are not enclosed herewith. However, if any copies are needed, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the above materials and cite the patent documents. Copies of the Japanese patent documents are attached and all of the documents have been listed on a PTO-1449 Form which is also attached hereto. Accordingly, the Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached PTO-1449 Form and to return a copy to the Applicant with the next official communication in the present application to confirm consideration of these documents.

Applicant also calls the following co-pending and commonly assigned patent applications to the Examiner's attention:

U.S. Patent Application No. 10/641,052 to EGUCHI, which filed on August 15, 2003;
and

U.S. Patent Application No. 10/721,090 to ENOMOTO, which filed on November 26, 2003.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98 (a)(2)(iii), copies of the above-mentioned

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applications are attached hereto. However, the Examiner is also requested to review the file wrapper of these U.S. patent applications at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office and the references of record, if any, cited therein.

Should the Examiner have any further questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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Sir :

On February 25, 2004, Applicant filed an Information Disclosure Statement (IDS), and on March 31, 2004, Applicant filed a Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement in the above-captioned matter, the latter of which was filed two days after the mailing date of the Notice of Allowance.

Applicant notes that the initialed PTO-1449 form for these two IDSs were not returned. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner forward initialed copies of the PTO-1449 forms for each IDS.

For the convenience of the Examiner, Applicant is submitting herewith a copy of the Information Disclosure Statement filed February 25, 2004 (and the foreign documents cited therein) and a copy of the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement filed March 31, 2004, a copy of the Forms PTO-1449 filed therewith, and a copy of the respective date-stamped

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mailroom receipts evidencing the filing of the same.

However, since the Supplemental IDS was mailed out two days after the Notice of Allowance, the undersigned hereby authorizes the Commissioner to charge any fee necessary for the consideration of this statement, including any payment under 37 C.F.R. §1.17 (p) to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

Should there be any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

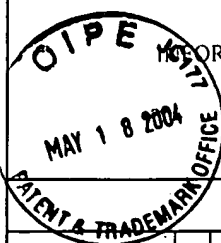
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